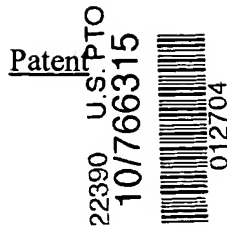




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In re Application of: JONES et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
CONDUCTING A TRANSACTION

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MS PATENT APPLICATION

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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL
(Large Entity)**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 USC 111(a) and 37 CFR 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONDUCTING A TRANSACTION**

and invented by: **JONES et al.**

Enclosed are:

1. ☐ Filing Fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
2. ☒ Specification having 21 pages and including the following:
 - a. ☒ Descriptive Title of the Invention
 - b. ☒ Cross references to Related Applications (*if applicable*)

- c. ☐ Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development
- d. ☐ Reference to Microfiche Appendix (*if applicable*)
- e. ☒ Background of the Invention
- f. ☒ Brief Summary of the Invention
- g. ☒ Brief Description of the Drawings (*if drawings filed*)
- h. ☒ Detailed Description
- i. ☒ Claim(s) as Classified Below
- j. ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure
- 3. ☒ Drawing(s) (*when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113*)
 - a. ☒ Formal Number of Sheets 4
 - b. ☐ Informal Number of Sheets
- 4. ☒ Oath or Declaration
 - a. ☐ Newly executed (*original or copy*) ☒ Unexecuted
 - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
 - c. ☒ With Power of Attorney ☐ Without Power of Attorney
 - d. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the Prior Application, see 37. CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- 5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (*usable if Box 4b is checked*)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- 6. ☐ Assignment Papers (*cover sheet & documents(s)*)
- 7. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(B) Statement (*when there is an assignee*)
- 8. ☐ English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
- 9. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
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- 13. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority is claimed*)
- 14. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i) (*attach PTO/SB/35*)
- 15. ☐ Additional Enclosures:

FEE CALCULATION

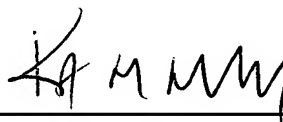
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Total Claims	21	- 20	1	\$18.00	\$18.00
Indep. Claims	5	- 3	2	\$86.00	\$172.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (If applicable, please add \$ 290.00)					\$0.00
BASIC FEE					\$770.00
OTHER FEE (specify purpose):					\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$960.00

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Respectfully submitted,



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